



GINGY HARSHEY-MEADE EXCELLENCE IN LEADERSHIP AWARD

The *Gingy Harshey-Meade Excellence in Leadership Award* is presented in recognition of sustained exemplary leadership and commitment to the nursing profession, as well as participation in and contributions to the purposes of the Ohio Nurses Association.

GINGY HARSHEY-MEADE

Gingy Harshey-Meade served as Chief Executive Officer of ONA from 2000 until her retirement in 2014. She was instrumental in establishing the Ohio Nurses Foundation and served as its CEO and President since its charter in 2002. She has acquired tremendous respect for her leadership abilities and contributions to the profession by her colleagues at both the state and national levels. She received numerous awards and recognition for her accomplishments during her career at ONA.

PROCEDURES: the recipient of this award is selected according to the following procedures:

1. The nominee must be a nurse; a current ONA member; and must have been a member of ONA for at least 4 years.
2. Nominations may be submitted by individual ONA members, ONA districts, or ONA units.
3. All nominations must be submitted on the form/format provided by the Ohio Nurses Foundation.
4. Nominations shall be unrestricted by considerations of nationality, race, religion, creed, lifestyle, color, gender, health status, disability, sexual orientation, or age.
5. The originators of nominations must provide a narrative response to each criterion that describes explicitly and concisely how the nominee meets the award criteria. **Attaching a CV or resume for the nominee is not a substitute for the narrative response.**
6. The originators of nominations may supply no more than two (2) letters of support on plain paper (**no letterhead**) for the nominee. The letters should describe how the nominee has met the award criteria. **Letters of support are not substitutes for the narrative responses.**
7. The Award will be presented at the annual Nurses Choice Award (NCA) Luncheon. All nominees will be notified prior to the NCA Luncheon. The groups or individuals making the nominations will also be notified.
8. Nominations postmarked or received after the deadline date will not be considered. No extension will be granted for incomplete nominations.

Mail, email, or fax completed nomination forms and supporting information by 2/12/16 to:

ONF Nurses Choice Awards Program
4000 East Main Street,
Columbus, Ohio 43213
Email: pdanielson@ohnurses.org
Fax: 614-237-6074

Attach all supporting materials (narrative responses and up to two (2) letters of support). All of the requested information must be submitted for consideration by the ONF Board by 2/12/16.

